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PHARMACY TECHNICIAN CE REQUIREMENTS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ARIZONA BOARD OF PHARMACY AND THE PTCB (PHARMACY TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION BOARD) ARE TWO SEPARATE ENTITIES WITH DIFFERENT REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE).

THE PTCB BOARD CERTIFIES YOU COMPETENT IN THE DUTIES ASSOCIATED WITH BEING A PHARMACY TECHNICIAN.

YOUR STATE LICENSE IS WHAT ALLOWS YOU TO BE EMPLOYED AS A PHARMACY TECHNICIAN WITHIN ARIZONA. WE REQUIRE THE TAKING AND PASSING OF THE PTCB EXAM IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A STATE LICENSE.

ARIZONA CE

THE ARIZONA BOARD OF PHARMACY **ONLY ACCEPTS ACPE** APPROVED CE. WE DO NOT ACCEPT COLLEGE COURSES OR IN-SERVICE PROJECTS.

YOU MUST KEEP TRACK OF YOUR CE FOR A MINIMUM OF 5 YEARS. THE BOARD RANDOMLY AUDITS FOR CE AND YOU MUST BE ABLE TO PROVIDE PROOF OF COMPLETION FOR THE TIME PERIOD REQUESTED BY THE AUDITOR.

FOR THOSE TECHNICIANS WHO HAVE ALREADY BEEN THROUGH A RENEWAL CYCLE, THE TOTAL CE DUE IS 10 CE PER RENEWAL YEAR (20 CE FOR A TWO YEAR RENEWAL CYCLE).

EX:

LAST RENEWAL PERIOD: 11/01/2012 – 10/31/2013

YOU WILL NEED 10 CES COMPLETED WITHIN THAT TIME FRAME. ONE OF THOSE CE MUST BE IN LAW.

LAST RENEWAL PERIOD: 11/01/2011 – 10/31/2013

YOU WILL NEED 20 CES COMPLETED WITHIN THAT TIME FRAME. TWO OF THOSE CE MUST BE IN LAW.

CURRENT RENEWAL PERIOD: 11/01/2013 – 10/31/2015

YOU WILL NEED TO COMPLETE 20 CES BY THE 2015 EXPIRATION DATE. TWO OF THOSE CE MUST BE IN LAW.

FOR FIRST TIME LICENSEES WHO HAVE NOT BEEN THROUGH A RENEWAL CYCLE, YOUR CE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE ADJUSTED. CALCULATION IS: NUMBER OF MONTHS THE LICENSE IS VALID FOR PRIOR TO RENEWING X 0.833.

EX:

LICENSE ISSUED DECEMBER 2013.

NUMBER OF MONTHS BETWEEN DECEMBER 2013 AND OCTOBER 2014 (WHEN LICENSE EXPIRES) = 11

11 MONTHS X 0.833 = 9.16 (ROUND UP OR DOWN, DEPENDING ON THE SUM) ONE OF THOSE CE MUST BE IN LAW.

FOR PTCB CE REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE SEE THEIR WEBSITE: WWW.PTCB.ORG.